



GEOINT Interoperability Program: Addressing GEOINT Interoperability in DoD Acquisition

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- GEOINT Interoperability Qualification Cycle
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- GEOINT Interoperability Responsibilities



NGA & GEOINT Interoperability

Direction

10 U.S.C. 441(d)

SecDef in consultation w/DNI:

"... take all necessary steps to ensure the full availability and continued improvement of imagery intelligence support for all-source analysis and production."

Responsibility

50 U.S.C. 403-5(b)(2)(D)(i)

SecDef through NGA with representation from IC:

"... prescribe technical architecture and standards related to imagery intelligence and geospatial information and **ensure compliance with such architecture and standards**"

Authority

E.O. 12333 1.3(b)(12)(A)

D/NGA appointed GEOINT FM:

GEOINT Functional Manager (FM) may be charged by DNI with "... developing and implementing strategic guidance, policies, and procedures for activities related to a specific intelligence discipline or set of intelligence activities; set training and tradecraft standards; and ensure coordination within and across intelligence disciplines and Intelligence Community elements and with related non-intelligence activities."

DoDD 5105.60

SecDef designates D/NGA as DoD GEOINT Manager to:

- "... **prescribe, mandate, and enforce standards and architectures related to GEOINT** ..."
- Exercise functional management and oversight of the NSG, including technical oversight of NSG tactical elements, to **ensure interoperability** between existing and future NSG systems, connectivity between national and tactical systems, and modernization of tactical systems."
- "disseminate and **facilitate sharing of GEOINT** ... consistent with DoDD 8320.02"

ICD 113

IC Elements shall

- participate in the development of standards **with function-related standards** ... and the Functional Manager (FM)."

DNI delegates authority to FMs to:

- "... (prescribe) **function-specific interoperability standards** for function-dependent technical architectures ..."
- "... (develop) a functional enterprise architecture for the function ..."
- "develop, coordinate, and **oversee the issuance and implementation** of IC standards in training and tradecraft, reporting, requirements, evaluation measures, and other areas within their respective functions ..."

CJCSI 3170.01H

CJCSI 6212.01F

DoDD 8320.02*

DoDI 3115.15

DoDI 8330.aa

DoD 5000 series

NSG Ds

Including GEOINT Interoperability*

ICD 115
ICD 501
ICD 801
ICS 500-20

* Data shall be made "visible, accessible, understandable, interoperable, trusted, and responsive"



GEOINT Interoperability Program

- **Direct Program Support**
 - Work with individual programs to support selection, implementation and testing of GEOINT standards
- **NSG Extended Support**
 - Services - Program Executive Officer (PEOs) at a strategic level
 - AT&L and UAS TF (USIP development, compliance, remediation)
- **Acquisition Document Review/Support**
 - Review Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS) documentation and Information Support Plans
 - Review program acquisition documentation
 - Support write/rewrite of DoD, JCS and IC documents
- **GEOINT Seal of Approval**
 - Enterprise Challenge 2012 – conducted limited proof-of-concept to validate selected test performance measures
 - Phase 1: 2013 pilot programs
- **Standards Implementations and Resolutions**
 - Advocate for new/updated standards based on user needs

GEOINT Interoperability

Program is an outreach, advisory and coordination resource working to improve GEOINT data and services interoperability across the NSG:



▪ Expertise

- GEOINT Phenomenologies (FMV, EO/IR, MSI, HSI, and SAR imagery, MTI, LIDAR, OPIR, NGA foundation products)
- GEOINT Exploitation Sciences (photogrammetry, precision GEOINT, data fusion, image quality, web services)
- GEOINT Standards
- GEOINT Policy and Implementation
- Relevant, diverse Service experience (USA, USAF, USN)

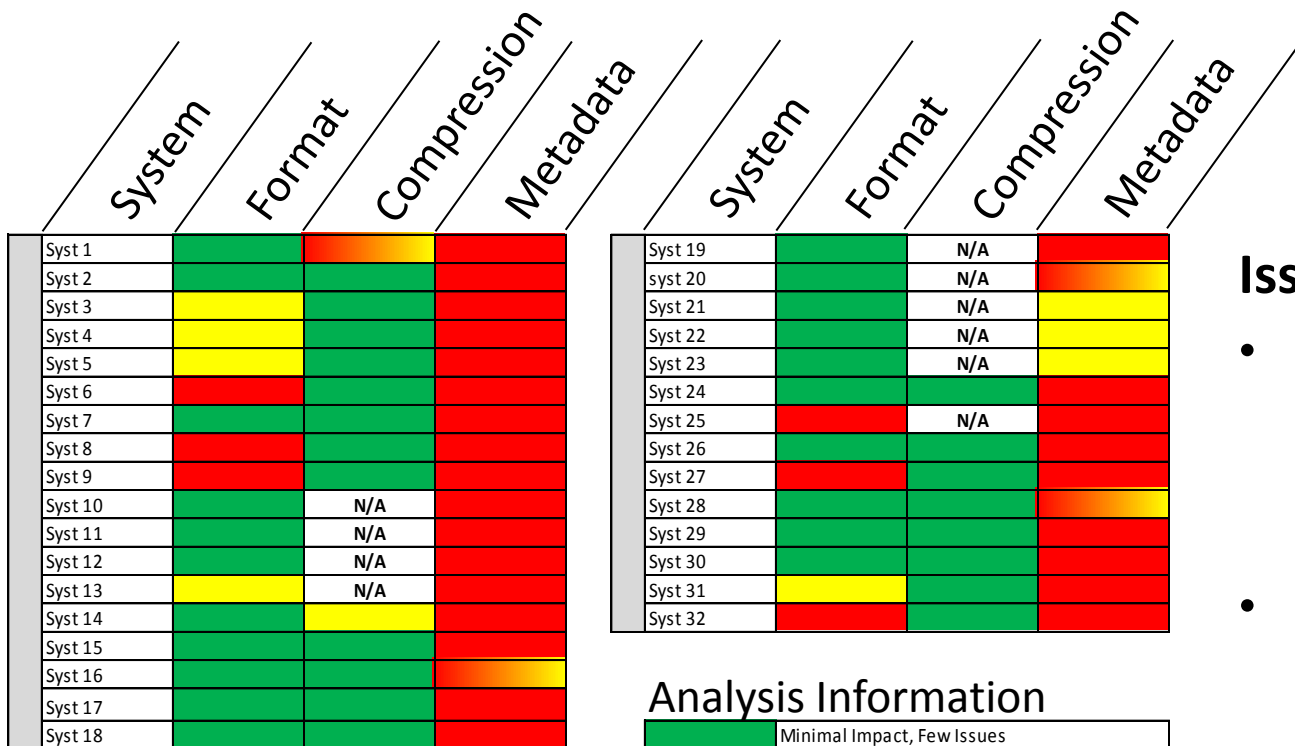
▪ Support

- ACAT programs
- Joint Capability Technology Demonstrations
- Quick Reaction Capability programs
- Testing Organizations
- Standards process for data management and architecture



Problem Quantified: Study of Imagery Data

Known fact: Desired interoperability is not yet delivered



Analysis Information

Green	Minimal Impact, Few Issues
Light Green	Low Impact, Many Issues
Yellow	Moderate Impact
Orange	High Impact, Few Issues
Red	High Impact, Many Issues

Issues arise from:

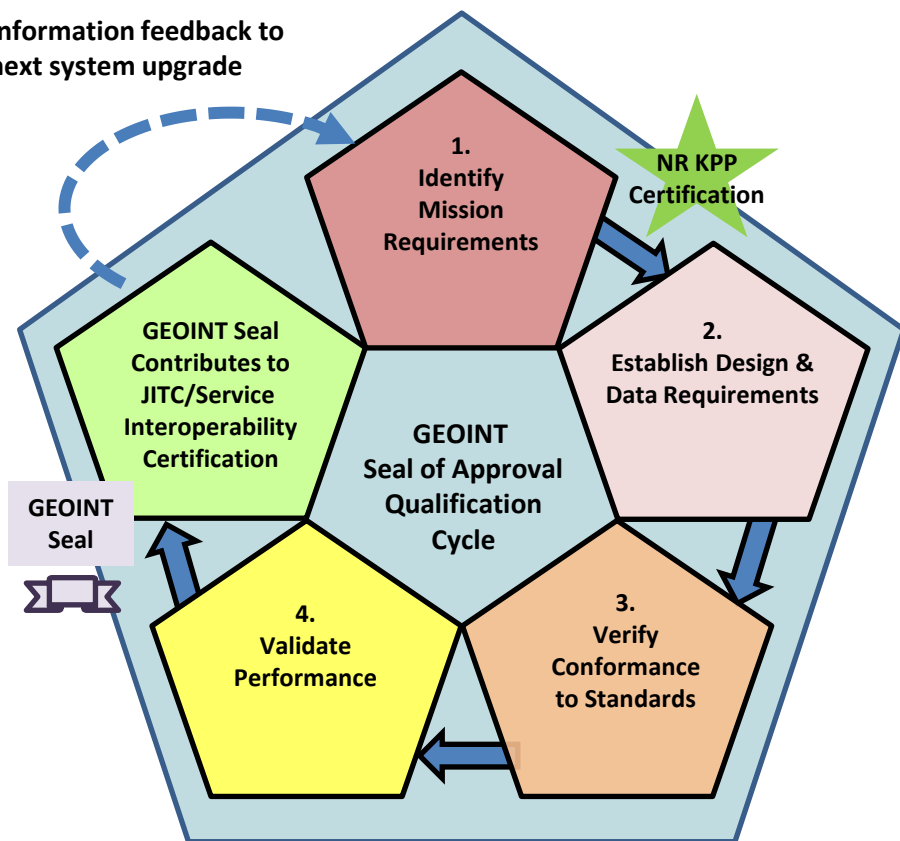
- Inconsistency identifying necessary metadata and related standards
- Lack of clear requirements language
- Insufficient testability

Testing confirms substantial lack of GEOINT standards conformance



Interoperability: GEOINT Seal of Approval

Information feedback to
next system upgrade



GEOINT Seal of Approval enables the DoD GEOINT Manager to...

- **Enforce standards and architectures** related to GEOINT (50 USC 403-5)
- **Enable interoperability** between existing and future NSG systems
- **Facilitate sharing of GEOINT** by the most effective and expeditious means consistent with DoDD 8320.02, Data in a Net-Centric DoD to ensure data shall be made “**visible, accessible, understandable, interoperable, trusted, and responsive**”

Provides quantitative metrics for GEOINT support capabilities and progress reports to weigh DoD acquisition investments

GEOINT Seal of Approval Objective:

Enable the accurate, efficient decomposition of GEOINT interoperability criteria into testable and validatable requirements to ensure realization of critical and desired mission objectives.

Endgame: Multi-purpose GEOINT available NSG-wide.



GEOINT Interoperability Program and Seal of Approval Process



Seal Process and Purpose

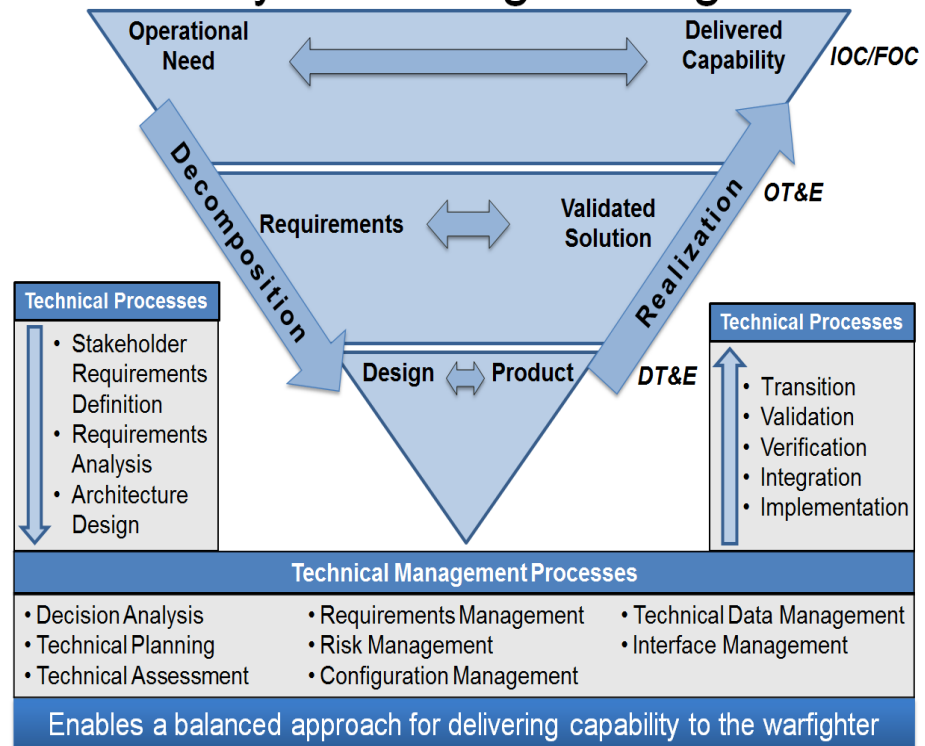
Designed to **integrate well-known system engineering processes** to capture GEOINT capabilities.

- Planning and Mission Analysis
- Requirements Analysis and Development
- Architecture and System Design
- Implementation and Integration

Provides **visibility of program specific DISR/ER2 mandated GEOINT requirements** in acquisition development to ensure they are identified, designed, implemented, integrated and validated.

GEOINT Seal of Approval is recognition issued by the NSG when an IT component is found to meet GEOINT standards conformance and interoperability qualification criteria.

Systems Engineering



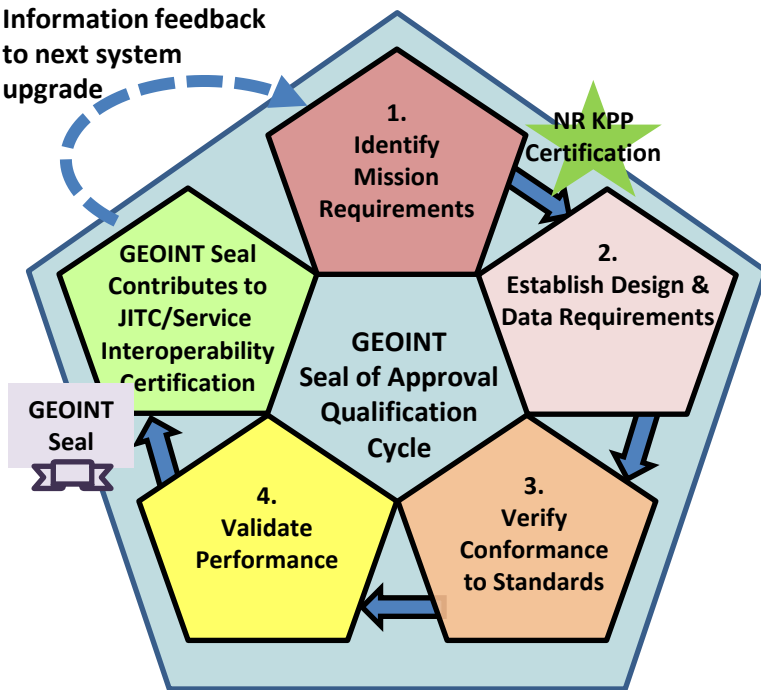
DEFENSE ACQUISITION GUIDEBOOK, Chapter 4 -- Systems Engineering, 4.1. Introduction

GEOINT Seal of Approval programs highlighted by Director/NGA in her Annual Brief To Congress

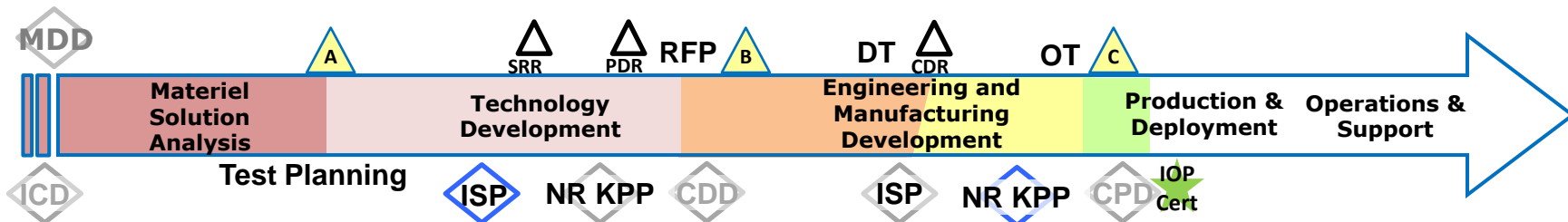


Seal of Approval Qualification Cycle

Information feedback to next system upgrade

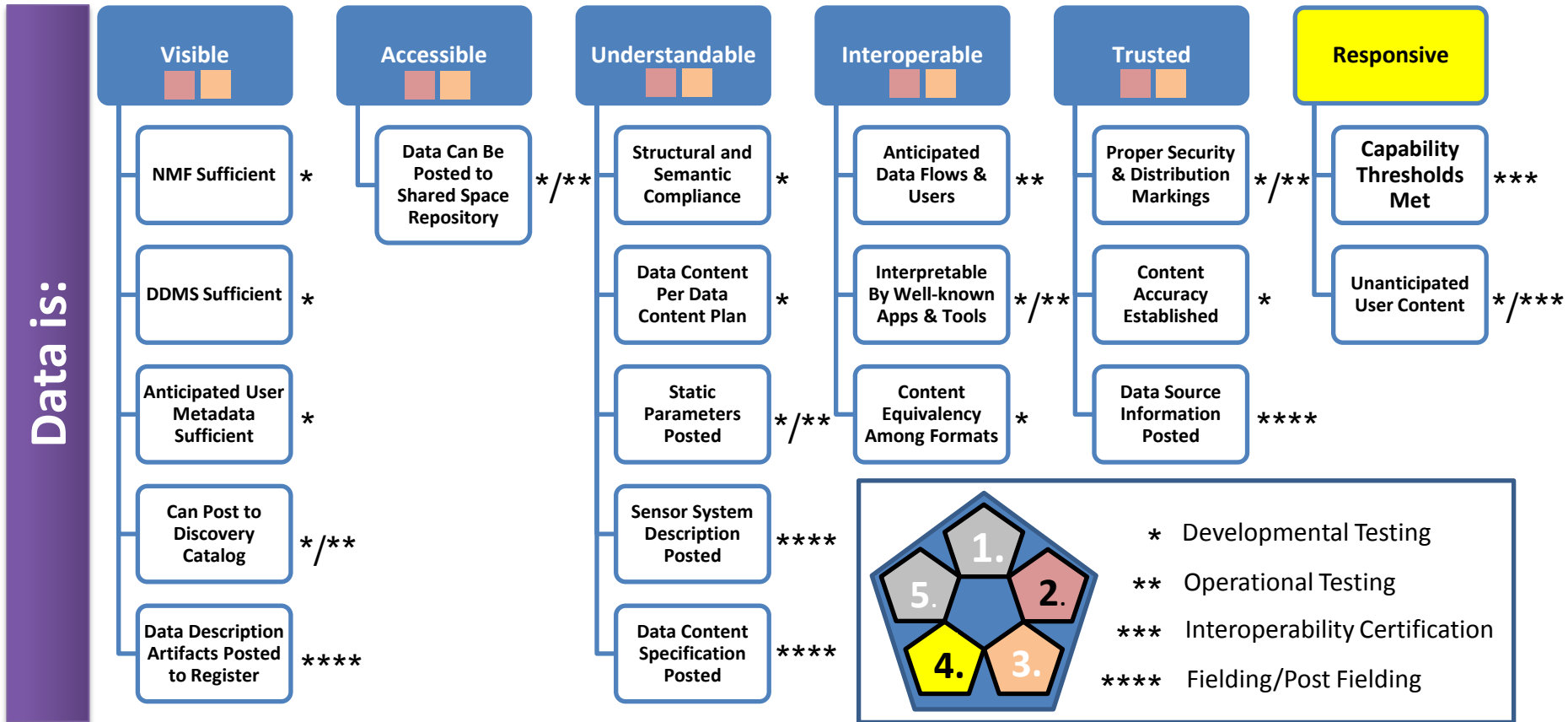


- 1) **Identify Mission Requirements** and associated Measures of Effectiveness (MOE) and Measures of Performance (MOP)
- 2) **Establish Design & Data Requirements** and establish system and data content design in conformance with applicable GEOINT standards
- 3) **Verify Conformance to Standards** through test and evaluation to ensure data and services conform with both the GEOINT standards and the system design
- 4) **Validate Performance** through test and evaluation that the performance of the conforming design, data and services fulfill the mission capability requirements established in step 1
- 5) **GEOINT Seal Contributes to JITC/Service Interoperability Certification**. Submit test reports, certifications and statuses substantiating GEOINT Seal qualification to the NSG Functional Lead for Architecture and Standards.





Seal of Approval Qualifications: Example for Gridded Data



Each Seal of Approval Qualification has a set of GEOINT-aware 'criteria' used to measure success



Data Assets Tested for GEOINT Seal of Approval Qualification

Imagery & Gridded Data

- Data File
- Data Stream
- Embedded Metadata
- Content is Dynamic

Static Parameters (e.g.)

- Metadata
- Calibration
- Look Up Table/Registers

Data Content Specification

- Describes Population Plan for:
 - Imagery & Gridded Data
 - Static Parameters
- Content is Static for Tested Configuration

System Description

- General Description of the collection system and its capabilities
- Content is Static for Tested Configuration



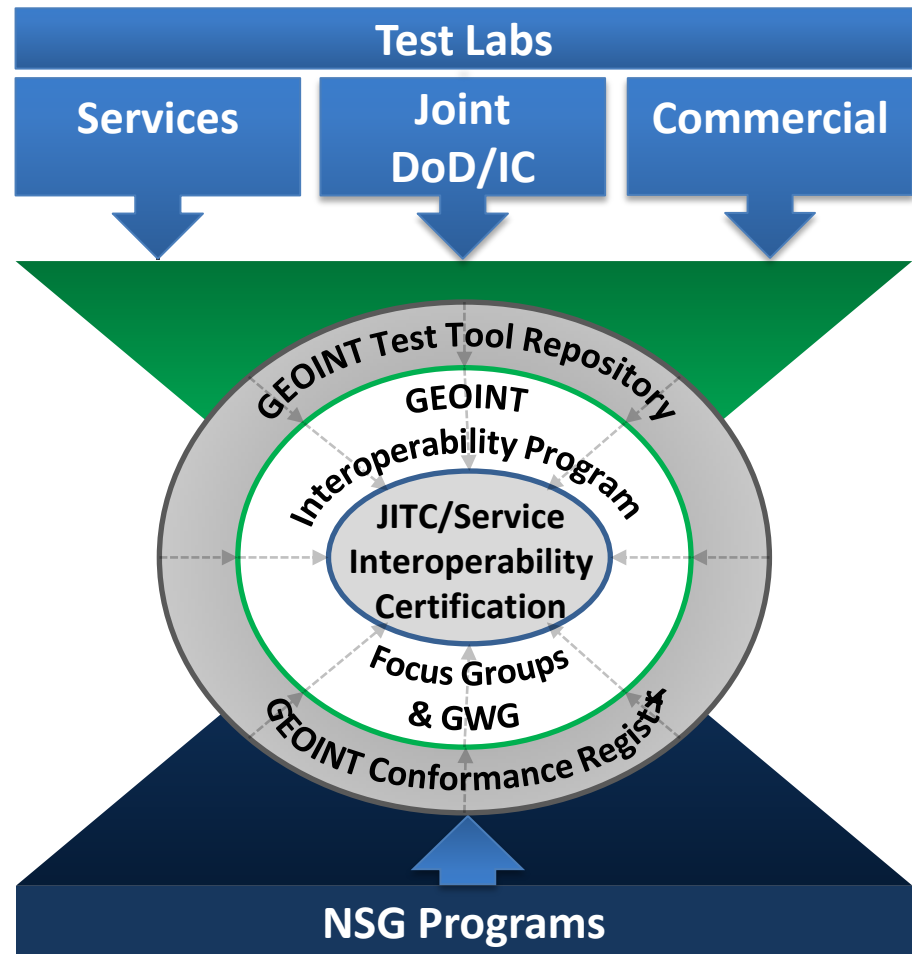
Notional GEOINT Coordinated Test Environment

Testing Coordination

- GEOINT Seal of Approval relies on distributed testing
- Test results must be useful to the developer and acceptable for both the Seal of Approval Process and the certifier of interoperability
- Common test tools available across the community required
- Improved configuration management of test tools is high-priority

Shared Responsibilities

- **Testing Conduct:** Programs
- **Test Lab Infrastructure:** Components
- **Test Capability Development:** GEOINT community, led by Functional Manager



“JITC shall evaluate interoperability test results using a variety of resources including interoperability test and evaluation criteria, measures, and requirements established by intelligence functional managers”



GEOINT Seal of Approval Scope and Status

Scope

Initial Scope (FY13/14) – systems with new requirements for

- Imagery Collection
- Gridded GEOINT Data

Second wave (FY14/15)

- Dissemination libraries and web services
- Other types of Foundation GEOINT

Follow-on phases

- Remainder of the TCPED cycle
- IC-ITE integration

Status

NSG Directive and Manual

- GO/FO coordination
- JS J6: Will incorporate into NR KPP Manual
- DAG: will add GEOINT Seal of Approval process to Chapters 4 and 9

Self-Assist Tools in development

- On-line resource site, SharePoint
- Guide for PMs
- Sample MoEs/ MoPs for NR KPP
- Suggested RFP language
- Automated Test Tools

Partial-Assist capabilities

- Training test organizations to apply Seal of Approval processes
- Continuing reviews of JCIDS documentation and Information Support Plans (ISP)
- Support to select programs



GEOINT Seal Responsibilities

- DoD and IC Components
 - Include Seal of Approval qualifications in **program requirements, design specifications, and test plans** for IT and NSS that require any GEOINT standards cited in the DISR and ER2
 - **Provide test results** to NGA that substantiate system performance and conformance against Seal of Approval qualifications
 - **Update systems' GEOINT standards baselines** during incremental upgrades or when interoperability certifications expire
- Certification Authorities
 - Joint Staff J6: Consider GEOINT Seal of Approval when **certifying NR KPP** (CJCSI 6212.01)
 - CIOs: Consider NGA input when **waiving standards** (DoDI 8310)
 - JITC/Services: Consider GEOINT Seal of Approval when **certifying interoperability** (DoDI 8330)

GEOINT Seal of Approval advances the interoperability of GEOINT throughout the Enterprise by applying GEOINT functional management to interoperability governance



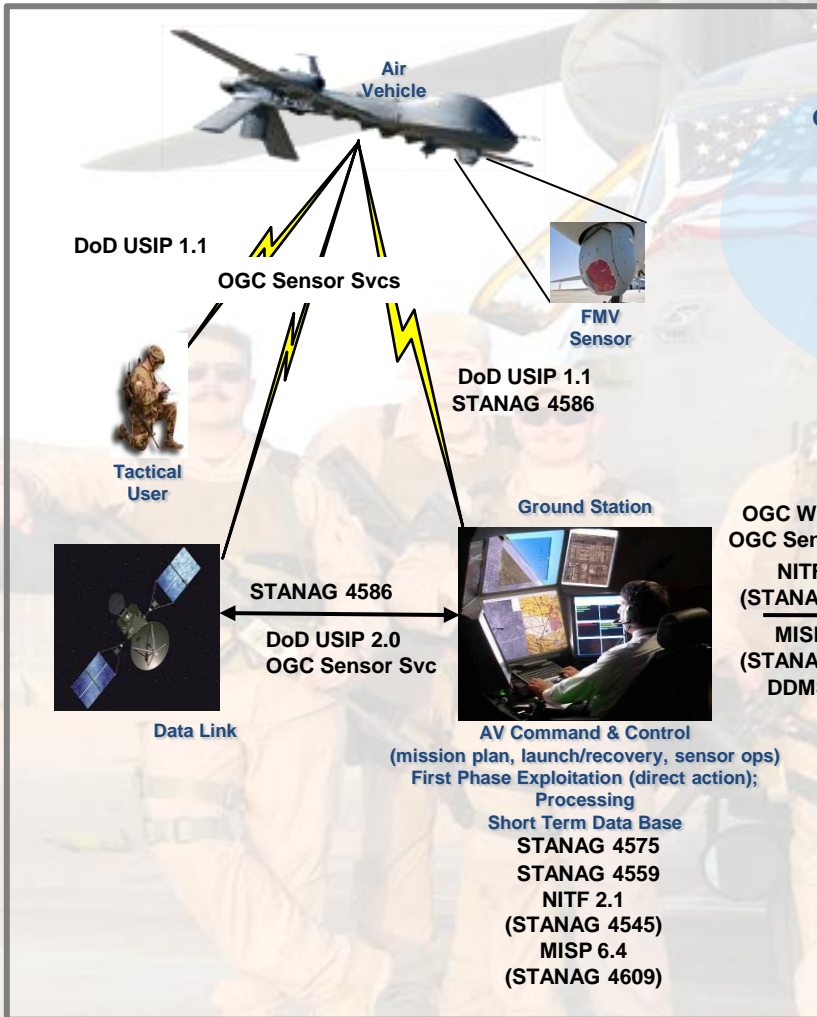
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GEOINT Interoperability Program OV-1



Global Information Grid / DI2E

- OGC Web Svcs
- OGC Sensor Svcs
- STANAG 4559
- NITF 2.1 (STANAG 4545)
- MISP 6.4 (STANAG 4609)



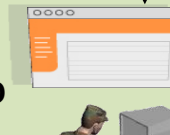
Libraries and Exploitation

- OGC Web Svcs
- OGC Sensor Svcs



- STANAG 4559
- OGC Web Svcs
- OGC Sensor Svc

CSD



DTE

- OGC Stnds
- STANAG 4559
- NITF 2.1 (STANAG 4545)
- MISP 6.4 (STANAG 4609)
- DDMS
- NMF

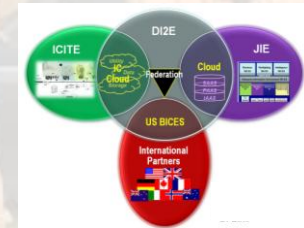
Operations Center (DCGS)



- OGC Web Svcs
- OGC Sensor Svcs
- NITF 2.1 (STANAG 4545)
- MISP 6.4 (STANAG 4609)
- DDMS v.4

Second Phase Exploitation Long Term Data Base Dissemination to GIG and/or DI2E

- STANAG 4559
- NITF 2.1 (STANAG 4545)
- MISP 6.4 (STANAG 4609)
- DDMS v.4



*Listed standards may not be representative of the current baseline